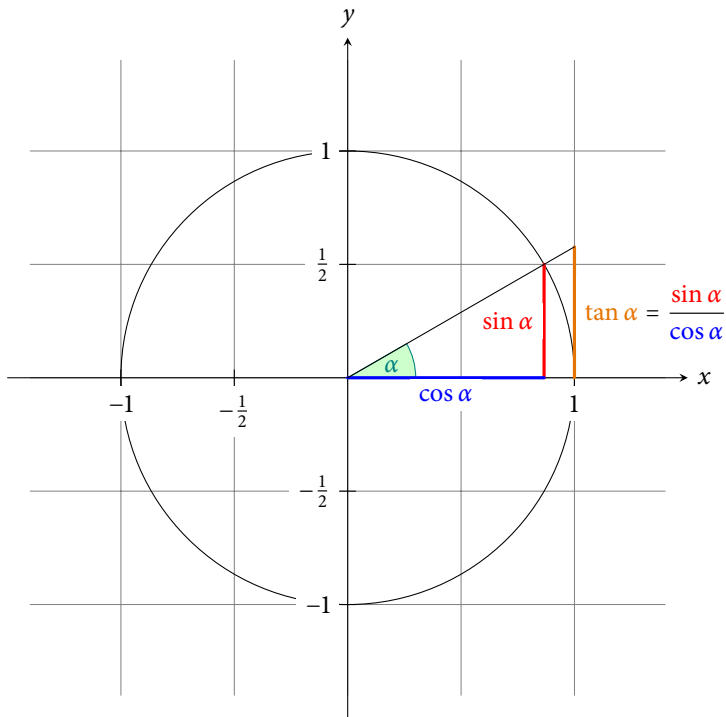


1 A TRIGONOMETRY EXAMPLE



The **angle** α is 30° in the example ($\pi/6$ in radians). The **sine of** α , which is the height of the red line, is

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{1}{2}.$$

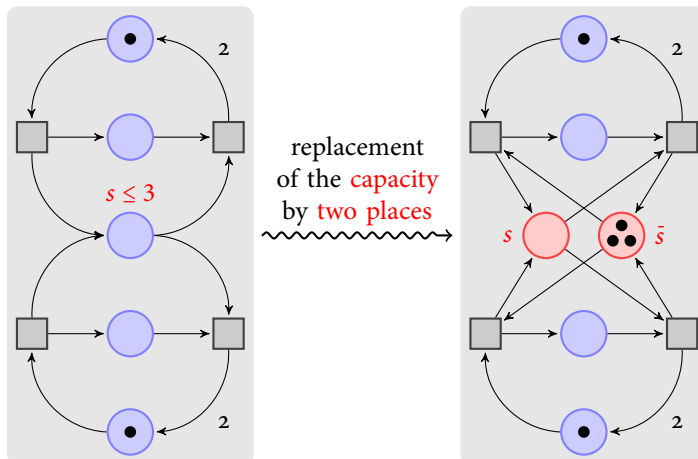
By the Theorem of Pythagoras we have $\cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha = 1$. Thus the length of the blue line, which is the **cosine of** α , must be

$$\cos \alpha = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{3}.$$

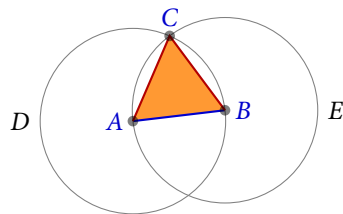
This shows that **tan** α , which is the height of the orange line, is

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}.$$

2 PETRI-NETS



3.1 Book I, Proposition I



Proposition I

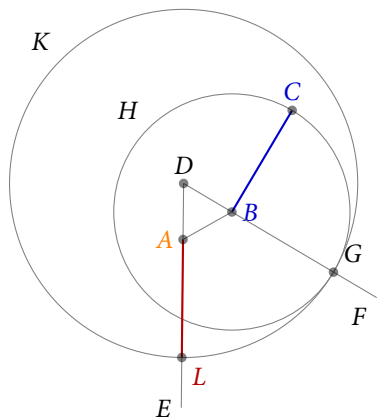
To construct an *equilateral triangle* on a given *finite straight line*.

Let AB be the given *finite straight line*. It is required to construct an *equilateral triangle* on the *straight line* AB .

Describe the circle BCD with center A and radius AB . Again describe the circle ACE with center B and radius BA . Join the *straight lines* CA and CB from the point C at which the circles cut one another to the points A and B .

Now, since the point A is the center of the circle CDB , therefore AC equals AB . Again, since the point B is the center of the circle CAE , therefore BC equals BA . But AC was proved equal to AB , therefore each of the *straight lines* AC and BC equals AB . And things which equal the same thing equal one another, therefore AC also equals BC . Therefore the three *straight lines* AC , AB , and BC equal one another. Therefore the *triangle* ABC is equilateral, and it has been constructed on the given *finite straight line* AB .

3.2 Book I, Proposition II



Proposition II

To place a *straight line* equal to a given *straight line* with one end at a *given point*.

Let A be the given point, and BC the given *straight line*. It is required to place a *straight line* equal to the given *straight line* BC with one end at the point A .

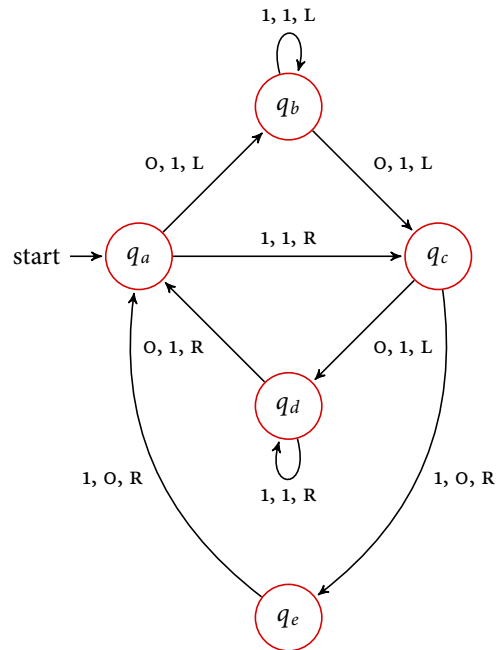
Join the *straight line* AB from the point A to the point B and construct the equilateral triangle DAB on it.

Produce the *straight lines* AE and BF in a *straight line* with DA and DB . Describe the circle CGH with center B and radius BC , and again, describe the circle GKL with center D and radius DG .

Since the point B is the center of the circle CGH , therefore BC equals BG . Again, since the point D is the center of the circle GKL , therefore DL equals DG . And in these DA equals DB , therefore the remainder AL equals the remainder BG . But BC was also proved equal to BG , therefore each of the *straight lines* AL and BC equals BG . And things which equal the same thing also equal one another, therefore AL also equals BC .

Therefore the *straight line* AL equal to the given *straight line* BC has been placed with one end at the *given point* A .

4 FIVE-STATE BUSY BEAVER



The current candidate for the busy beaver for five states. It is presumed that this Turing machine writes a maximum number of 1's before halting among all Turing machines with five states and the tape alphabet $\{0, 1\}$. Proving this conjecture is an open research problem.